



**CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**JULY 6, 2009 7:30 PM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**A. Flag Salute**

Mayor Peter B. Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Roll Call**

Mayor Lewis and the following Councilmembers were present: Rich Wagner, Sue Singer, Gene Cerino, Nancy Backus, Bill Pelosa, Lynn Norman, and Virginia Haugen.

Staff members present included: City Attorney Daniel B. Heid, Parks, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber, Police Chief Jim Kelly, Assistant Finance Director Maggie Coleman, Assistant Planning, Building and Community Director Kevin Snyder, Public Works Director Dennis Dowdy, Information Services Director Lorrie Rempher, Human Resources/Risk and Property Management Director Brenda Heineman, Police Officer Stan Adamski, Police Officer Michael Burris, and Deputy City Clerk Cathy Richardson.

**C. Announcements and Appointments**

**1. Announcements**

**a) Letters of Commendation**

Mayor Lewis and Auburn Police Chief Jim Kelly presented Letters of Commendation to Sound Transit Security Guard Sagele Filipo and Auburn Police Officer Stan Adamski.

Chief Kelly reported on an incident in which Officer Adamski was in a ground struggle with a combative male who was resisting arrest at the Sound Transit

Station parking facility. Sound Transit Security Officer Sagele Filipo witnessed the struggle and moved quickly to the area to assist Officer Adamski if so requested or if it became necessary. During the struggle, Mr. Filipo noticed that the struggling suspect was armed with an unsheathed, thirteen inch, fixed blade knife which was concealed under the suspect's coat. The knife, which was unsheathed and strapped to the suspect by only a string, had become positioned so that it was pointing directly at the body of Officer Adamski. Mr. Filipo shouted a warning to Officer Adamski and, seeing that he was in imminent danger of being seriously injured by the knife, quickly moved to remove the knife from the fighting suspect and cast it aside. Officer Adamski indicated that he had not seen the knife until Mr. Filipo's warning and would have undoubtedly been seriously injured without Mr. Filipo's quick actions. Mr. Filipo placed himself in harms way to aid a law enforcement officer, an action which reflects courage and great credit upon himself, his employer, and his profession as a private security guard.

Chief Kelly offered his congratulations to Mr. Filipo on a job well done.

Mayor Lewis offered his congratulations and expressed gratitude on behalf of the City of Auburn and Councilmembers for Mr. Filipo's efforts.

Mr. Filipo thanked Mayor Lewis, Councilmembers and the Auburn Police Department for honoring him with the Letter of Commendation. Mr. Filipo was joined by his Branch Manager Alise Bernard, Account Manager Ed Fredericks, Supervisor Paul Hicks, and a representative from Sound Transit.

Officer Adamski thanked Mr. Filipo for his assistance during an incident that most assuredly would have caused serious injury to himself.

**b) Recognition**

Mayor Lewis and Chief Kelly recognized Officer Michel Burris for his military service and 30 years of service to the City of Auburn.

Mayor Lewis reported that Officer Burris was deployed to Joint Base Balad (JBB) Iraq from January through May 2009 and was assigned to the historical 332<sup>nd</sup> Air Expeditionary Wing (AEW), which is best known as the home of the famous Tuskegee Airmen during World War II. The 332<sup>nd</sup> AEW had the privilege and honor of having a few of the surviving Tuskegee Airmen visit the AEW to share their experiences with the newest AEW members. The 332<sup>nd</sup> AEW strives to honor the history and legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen with the motto "The Legend Continues".

Joint Base Balad (JBB) is the largest base in Iraq and is currently the busiest base within the Department of Defense. JBB is home base for Air Force, Army, Marine and Navy personnel and offers the best medical treatment. JBB has the only Level 3 Trauma Center in Iraq resulting in a 97% survival rate for those receiving care.

Officer Burris was assigned to the Aerial Port where they were responsible for the safe and expeditious movement of all personnel and cargo. JBB is a major hub for cargo in the theater of operations. During his tour, he was assigned as a Loan Team Chief and later as a Safety Non-commissioned Officer in ramp operations. The 332<sup>nd</sup> AEW moved 409,732 short tons of cargo, 4,000 short tons of hazardous material cargo, and 69,704 passengers, and handled 5,501 missions. Officer Burris was awarded the Iraqi Campaign Medal and the Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon for his service to our county.

Mayor Lewis also stated that Officer Burris has served the City of Auburn for 30 years and presented an Appreciation of Service Certificate and 30-year

service pin to Officer Burris in recognition of his return from deployment and his years of service to the City of Auburn.

On behalf of himself, Councilmembers and the Auburn community, Mayor Lewis expressed his sincere gratitude to and pride in Officer Burris for his service in defense of our nation, his bravery, and sacrifice and welcomed Officer Burris home.

Chief Kelly presented a Certificate of Service to the Auburn Police Department to Officer Burris in recognition of his faithful and successful 30 years of service to law enforcement and the Auburn Police Department which are greatly appreciated by the Auburn community. Chief Kelley noted that the recognition of service will be distinctly noted by the 10 service bars that Officer Burris will now wear on his uniform.

On behalf of all servicemen whose contributions and sacrifices are far greater than his own, Officer Burris expressed his heart felt gratitude to the City of Auburn for recognition of his service to his country.

**2. Appointments**

There was no appointment for Council consideration.

**D. Agenda Modifications**

Agenda modification included transmission of revised contract administration items for Project No. CP0611 under Item No. V.C.2 of these minutes.

**II. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS & CORRESPONDENCE**

**A. Public Hearings**

No public hearing was scheduled for this evening.

**B. Audience Participation**

*This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to the City Council on any issue. Those wishing to speak are reminded to sign in on the form provided.*

Nicole Patrino-Salter – 31021 - 132<sup>nd</sup> Way SE, Auburn  
On behalf of herself and her neighbors, Ms. Patrino-Salter expressed appreciation to the City of Auburn for making the moratorium on Conditional Use Permits in the C-1 zone a priority issue in the Phase II code updates. Ms. Patrino-Salter requested Council lift the moratorium after the high priority items are completed in order to facilitate the potential sale of their properties. Ms. Patrino-Salter stated that they are hoping for favorable solutions to the traffic issues related to their area.

**C. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence for Council review.

**III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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**A. Municipal Services**

Chair Cerino reported that the Municipal Services Committee met on June 22, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. The Committee approved Ordinance No. 6247 relating to standing, stopping and parking. and discussed the Committee matrix. The Committee also received reports on animal control and rescue and fireworks from Police Chief Kelly. Chair Cerino reviewed numerous statistics related to animal control and also noted the positive impacts related to fireworks regulations in the City of Auburn. The next regular meeting of the Municipal Services Committee is scheduled for July 13, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

**B. Planning & Community Development**

Chair Norman reported that the Planning and Community Development Committee met on June 22, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. The Committee received a special report from Hearing Examiner Phil Olbrechts. Mr. Olbrechts commended efforts of the City of Auburn related to the Auburn City Code Update project. Mr. Olbrechts also stated that the City of Auburn has one of the best Planning Departments. He indicated that staff always produces very thorough staff reports and are well prepared at the hearings. The Committee also discussed population and employment targets and related state mandates that do not include necessary funding for required infrastructure improvements to meet the population and employment targets of the Growth Management Act (GMA). The Committee agreed that any correspondence supporting proposed growth targets from the City to the Suburban Cities Association

should include a caveat that efforts should continue towards finding ways to provide the infrastructure to support the targets. The Committee also discussed Resolution No. 4497, King County Historic Preservation Office, Energy and Efficiency Block Grant strategies, 2009 Comprehensive Plan, and Phase II of the Code Update Project and prioritization of substantive issues. Chair Norman encouraged interested parties to attend the next meeting of the Code Update Committee which is scheduled for July 8, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The next regular meeting of the Planning and Community Development Committee is scheduled for July 13, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

**C. Public Works**

Chair Wagner reported that the Public Works Committee met this afternoon at 3:00. The Committee approved Right-of-Way Use Permits for the downtown sidewalk sale and a utility crossing to Buena Vista School, an easement relinquishment for a utility line, and contract administration items. The Committee also discussed budget amendments, Resolution No. 4502, removing 24 trees from the right-of-way on Harvey Road due to root damage to the sidewalk, Ordinance No. 6427 related to parking in front of mail boxes, Ordinance No. 6211 related to parking on unimproved landscape strips, and the storm design deadline extension for the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The Committee also reviewed the Comprehensive Transportation Plan, pedestrian, bicycle and truck routes, the Code Update Project related to bikeways, and capital projects. The next regular meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for July 20, 2009 at 3:00 p.m.

**D. Finance**

Chair Backus reported that the Finance Committee met this evening at 6:30 p.m. The Committee approved Resolution No. 4497 related to an agreement with Principled Solutions, and Resolution No. 4499 related to surplus property. The Committee also discussed the biennial budget amendment Ordinance No. 6246 and Resolution No. 4502 related to an application to the State Department of Revenue for revitalization financing. The Committee also approved claims and payroll vouchers. The next regular meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for July 20, at 6:30 p.m.

**E. Community Center**

Chair Wagner reported that the Community Center Committee has not met since the last City Council meeting on June 15, 2009.

**F. Downtown Redevelopment**

Chair Norman reported that the Downtown Redevelopment Committee has not met since the last City Council meeting on June 15, 2009. The next regular meeting of the Downtown Redevelopment Committee is scheduled for July 14, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

**IV. REPORTS**

*At this time the Mayor and City Council may report on significant items associated with their appointed positions on state, regional and local organizations.*

**A. From the Council**

Councilmember Wagner reported that the Committee of the Whole met on June 29, 2009. The Committee discussed new techniques for streets and road maintenance as presented by Miles Sand and Gravel, the Auburn Environmental Park, Howard Hanson Dam potential flooding, population targets, promenade grant status, local revitalization financing package, and Community Center grant status. The Committee also received an update on the old post office building and a potential agreement with King County for use and preservation of the facility and an update on the South Correctional Entity Facility (SCORE) for a regional jail facility. The next meeting of the Committee of the Whole is scheduled for August 31, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Singer congratulated the Parks Department for another great KidsDay celebration and successful 4<sup>th</sup> of July festival.

Councilmember Wagner reported that he attended the Puyallup River Watershed Council meeting at which there was a presentation by Public Lands Commissioner Peter Goldmark. He also attended a Regional Access Mobility Partnership meeting and received an update on the viaduct project in Seattle from Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). The viaduct project is a \$4.2 billion project of which Seattle is

contributing approximately \$1 billion and \$2.8 billion is from tax revenues. There is still a shortfall of \$400 million for the project and a study for potential tolling of the viaduct is being conducted. The viaduct will have less capacity than the current viaduct. They also received a presentation on Sound Transit's parking pricing study and an update on Pierce Transit's 5% service cutbacks. Councilmember Wagner noted that the Lakeland area was not mentioned in those cutbacks.

Councilmember Backus reported that she attended the annual meeting of the Fire, Relief and Pension Board at which they discussed and approved claims for the prior year and the investing strategy for the upcoming year.

Councilmember Pelosa reported that he attended the King County Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee meeting at which they discussed the Renton Wastewater Plant and Howard Hanson Dam and the precautions being taken by King County to protect the plant in the event of flooding. The committee also received a user performance survey report from the Wastewater Treatment Division. Councilmember Pelosa toured the Brightwater Wastewater Treatment Plant project which is a \$1.8 billion project. The project is on schedule and on budget. Councilmember Pelosa spoke regarding challenges related to the repairs of a failed boring machine in the central east tunnel. The repairs must be completed 320 feet below the surface. Councilmember Pelosa reported on the Auburn International Farmers Market (AIFM), which is open every Sunday from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. through September 2009. AIFM vendors have grossed approximately \$11,000 - \$12,000 and average attendance has been between 1,200 - 1,500 each Sunday, which is phenomenal for a first year market. Councilmember Pelosa noted that the first King County Conservation District report for grant funds will be submitted on schedule.

Councilmember Haugen thanked the Parks Department for their efforts related to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festival.

**B. From the Mayor**

Mayor Lewis thanked Councilmembers for their participation in numerous county and regional committees and their many contributions and hard work obtaining grants for the City of Auburn. Mayor Lewis also commended the efforts of staff related to the



Code Update Project, of Councilmember Pelosa related to the Auburn International Farmers Market, and of Councilmember Cerino for his work related to the Municipal Services Committee.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

*All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed.*

**A. Minutes**

- 1. Minutes of the June 15, 2009 regular City Council meeting.**

**B. Vouchers**

F4.9.2, F4.9.5

- 1. Claims**

Claims check numbers 386331 through 386975 in the amount of \$2,561,564.78 and one wire transfer in the amount of \$13,892.25 and dated July 6, 2009.

- 2. Payroll**

Payroll check numbers 526755 to 526862 in the amount of \$343,319.78 and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$1,139,159.56 for a grand total of \$1,482,479.34 for the pay period covering June 11, 2009 to July 1, 2009.

**C. Contract Administration**

- 1. Public Works Project No. CP0767**

O4.9.1 CP0767

City Council grant permission to advertise for bids for Project No. CP0767, Mohawk Plastics Wetland Mitigation Improvements.

- 2. Public Works Project No. CP0611**

O4.9.1 CP0611

City Council award Contract 09-06, Project Number CP0611, M Street NE/Harvey Road and 8<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements, to Titan Earthwork, LLC on their low bid of \$1,388,352.10 plus Washington state sales tax of \$22,710.70 for a total contract price of \$1,411,062.80.

**3. Public Works Project No. CP0762**

O4.9.1 CP0762

City Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$173,777.40 to Contract 09-01 with R. L. Alia Company for work on project CP0762, Les Gove Neighborhood Improvement Project – Phase 1.

Deputy Mayor Singer moved and Councilmember Wagner seconded to approve the Consent Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-1. Councilmember Haugen voted no.

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**VIII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**A. Ordinances**

There was no ordinance for Council consideration.

**B. Resolutions**

**1. Resolution No. 4497**

A3.16.3

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement between the City of Auburn and Principled Solutions for consulting services

Councilmember Backus moved and Councilmember Pelosa seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4497.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0.

**2. Resolution No. 4499**

F4.6.1

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, declaring certain items of property as surplus and authorizing their disposal

Councilmember Backus moved and Councilmember Pelosa seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4499.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

APPROVED THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JULY 2009.

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Peter B. Lewis, Mayor

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Cathy Richardson, Deputy City Clerk

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